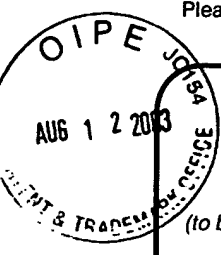


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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Sir:

Applicant received an Office Action from the USPTO mailed July 30, 2003. The Office Action seemed to have been prepared without considering Applicant's Preliminary Amendment filed with the original application papers on December 3, 2001. On August 6, 2003, Applicant's representative and the Examiner conducted a conference regarding this matter. The Examiner stated that no Preliminary Amendment was in the office file and suggested that Applicant send in the Preliminary Amendment along with evidence of its filing. The Examiner stated that he would then withdraw the outstanding office action and consider the Preliminary Amendment.

Attached as Exhibit A is a copy of Applicant's Preliminary Amendment filed December 3, 2001. The Preliminary Amendment is signed by registered practitioner Bryant E. Wade and dated December 3, 2001. Attached as Exhibit B is a copy of the Utility Patent Application Transmittal itemizing the Preliminary Amendment and bearing Express Mail Label No. EL835745885US. The Utility Patent Application Transmittal is signed by registered practitioner G. Gregory Schivley and dated December 3, 2001. Attached as Exhibit C is a copy of Express Mail Label No. EL835745885US. The Express Mail Label bears a "Date In" of December 3, 2001. Attached as Exhibit D is a copy of the Return Receipt Postcard for this application (as indicated by matching attorney docket no. 9319S-000311 and serial no. 10/005175). The Return Receipt Postcard bears the Office Date Stamp of 12/3/01 thereby indicating the Office received the documents itemized thereon including Applicant's "Preliminary Amendment".

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraw the Office Action mailed July 30, 2003, consider Applicant's Preliminary Amendment, and issue a new action setting forth a new period for response. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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